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## Navy Releases Work Plan for Retesting of Parcel G at Hunters Point

SAN DIEGO – The U.S. Navy's BRAC (Base Realignment and Closure) office initiated its retesting process today with the release of a draft work plan for Parcel G, part of the ongoing radiological data evaluation for the former Hunters Point Naval Shipyard.

Since 1991, the Navy has undertaken complex environmental clean-up work necessitated by decades of industrial and military work. Following allegations that Tetra Tech EC falsified some of its remediation work, the Navy's current focus is to collect new data.

Data collected will be used to determine whether the soil and buildings that remain on each parcel meet the original cleanup objectives and are suitable for transfer to the city, or if additional work is required.

"We believe that credible, reliable data is crucial to completing necessary cleanup activities and establishing that the property is ready for transfer to the local community," said Laura Duchnak, Director Navy BRAC Program Management Office. "The Navy is moving forward with the actions necessary to gather this data and put transfer of the Hunters Point property to the City of San Francisco back on track. Our relationship with the city and its residents is very important to us. We are proud of the history of Hunters Point and are committed to a successful conclusion to our work."

The Navy will gather new radiological data at Parcel G first, the area identified by the City of San Francisco as the highest priority for redevelopment. The areas in Parcel G include former sanitary sewer and storm drain trenches, buildings identified as radiologically impacted according to historical use, and soil areas identified as having possible radiological contamination.

This retesting process will determine whether Tetra Tech EC's remediation work at Parcel G was completed successfully, or if additional work is needed to enable its transfer to the City of San Francisco for development.

"To date, no areas have been identified that pose a risk to the public or current tenants. Regardless, the original contractor data cannot be used to validate readiness for transfer, so retesting is the best possible course of action," said Derek Robinson, Navy BRAC Environmental Coordinator. "Working with regulatory partners, third party oversight contractors and offsite laboratories, we're confident this process will ensure that Parcel G meets cleanup objectives and provides the community with peace of mind."

The work plan, including maps of sampling areas and an informative fact sheet are available on the Navy's website at bracpmo.navy.mil/hpnsrc.

Following today's release of the Parcel G Work Plan, the routine 30-day comment period will be extended to 60 days total to allow the public additional time to provide input. The Navy encourages all members of the public to review the work plan at the link above or at either of two physical locations:

-San Francisco Main Library, 5th Floor Gov't Center, 100 Larkin Street, San Francisco, 94102

-The Shipyard Site Trailer, 690 Hudson Avenue, San Francisco, 94124

The public comment period will remain open through Aug. 14. Written comments can be emailed to Mr. Derek Robinson at <a href="mailto:derek.j.robinson1@navy.mil">derek.j.robinson1@navy.mil</a>.

Comments may also be mailed to the following address but must be postmarked by Aug. 14 to be accepted:

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